King County DNRP Water Quality Index

STATION

C370

WATER YEAR 2014

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90a Longfellow Creek

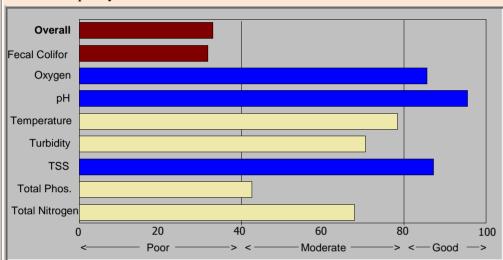
Overall Index

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King County has monitored water quality in Longfellow Creek at two locations. Water quality samples were collected at station C370, located at the footbridge on SW Yancy Street near 28th Ave SW, from 1979 to 2008 when budget cutbacks reduced the breadth of King County's water quality monitoring program. Regular sampling resumed at this location in 2013. Longfellow Creek flows 4.2 miles through West Seattle, one third of which is through pipes beneath shopping centers, houses, and roads, and drains into the West Duwamish Waterway. The basin encompasses 2,685 heavily urbanized acres. Longfellow Creek is on the 2012 Washington Department of Ecology's 303(d) list for violation of bacteria standards.

Annual Water Quality Index Scores

Water quality was POOR based on data collected 10/1/2013 to 9/30/2014.

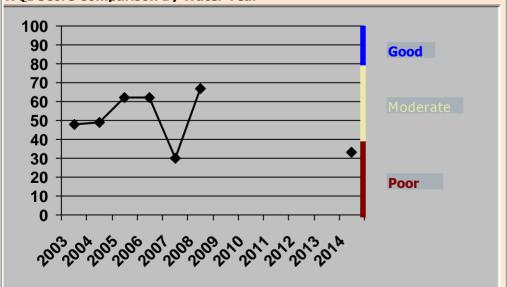




Monthly Scores For Water Year 2014

Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Ser

WQI Score Comparison By Water Year



For more information about this creek please visit our website at http://green.kingcounty.gov/WLR/Waterres/StreamsData/streamlist.aspx

About The Water Quality Index:

The Water Quality Index (WQI) score is a unit-less number ranging from 10 to 100: the higher the number, the higher the water quality. Scores are calculated from data collected during the monthly routine sampling. For temperature, pH, fecal coliform bacteria, turbidity, and dissolved oxygen, the index expresses results relative to levels required to maintain beneficial uses according to criteria in Washington's Water Quality Standards, WAC 173-201A. For nutrient and sediment measures where there are no standard, results are expressed relative to guidelines for this eco-region. Results from the eight parameters are aggregated over time to produce a single score for each sample station. In general, stations scoring 80 and above did not fail water quality standards or guidelines and are of "low concern", scores 40 to 80 indicate "moderate concern", and water quality at stations with scores below 40 are of "high concern". For more information about the WQI please visit <u> http://green.kingcounty.gov/WLR/Waterres/</u> StreamsData/WQI.aspx